

IDLE CHATTER Mark II

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NEWBIE GRANDPARENTS

As you all know we have waited a long time for grandchildren and in March 2015 we were blessed with the safe arrival of a granddaughter.

Stella has just turned 4 months old and is becoming her own little person and is as cute as a button.

BUT no one had told us about how much things have changed in the last 25 plus years. So naturally when discussing baby things with my daughter I found out that I didn't know anything and that left me wondering how I raised four children. Apparently the new parenting books of today and the internet have the latest and up-to-date way of doing things.

I was a little offended, but took a breath and thought that yes things have changed and that there is probably newer and better ways of raising children today. But when visiting Stella at the hospital and I was told that a midwife had said there was no need to burp your child, I sort of spoke before I thought and said "don't believe everything you read or hear, every baby is different and experience is a best learning tool". But I'm pleased to report that since Stella has become more than just a little bundle that breathes and cries - Mothers' old ways of parenting are back in vogue and all is right with my world (on that front at least).

BUT I'm a little embarrassed to say that my famous last words have come back to bite me on the b*m. I have purchased some very good second hand baby items to have at home to make visiting much easier. First item was a bouncinette, looked the same as I remembered but there was an extra bit for toys to hang from that no amount of pushing and shoving would connect (threw that bit away, Stella won't miss it). Next we got a playpen, back in the dark ages we had one of those wooden ones, but this one is plastic and every panel a different colour, looks very impressive. It took a lot of huffing and puffing to work out how to

connect each panel, nothing tricky about this one it was brute force and a lot of wriggling (this will always be Pop's job).

The piece of resistance that pushed us over the edge was the porta-cot. Stella is coming for her first sleepover this weekend and I asked Pop to put the cot up so I could see how much room it took up etc. This is where it got really embarrassing - a considerable time later and a lot of swearing we were still looking at a cot that would not stand. I would have thought we were two cluey enough people but this thing had us beat. With no directions on assembling – you guessed it we resorted to the internet. After listening to a very knowledgeable man who explained the hidden tricks and more pushing and pulling we had an assembled cot. We were very proud of ourselves but then I wanted to move it, naturally it needed to be dismantled to get down the hall and into the spare-room. Would you believe we went through another round of pulling, banging, swearing and getting really angry before we went back to the internet and finished the youtube segment on "How to assemble and dismantle a porta-cot".

So the moral of this little tale is that some of the old ways of doing things are still okay and I'm not totally out of touch, and also that the internet can teach two old folks some new things before their blood pressure kills them.
Please don't tell our daughter and son-in-law that a porta-cot almost beat us.

Don't Forget:

Quandialla District Scholarship Committee – Presentation Evening

Quandialla Bowling Club on Friday 10th July, 2015

Scholarships will be presented at 7.30pm

Finger food will be served prior to our presentation

Please come along and support our local students

N Gault – Hon Secretary

BLAND HOTEL

Bistro Open - Lunch 12pm to 2pm

Dinner 6.30pm to 8.30pm

*Don't forget Pizza Night on Wednesday's
and then you can enjoy a game of darts.....*

QUANDIALLA FRIDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS:

*Would you believe our Friday Night Jackpots are still going!!!
Just think what you could do with a little spare cash in your pocket.*

All you have to do is buy a ticket in the pub draw and hope your number comes up for the chance to pick the lucky card - the Bland Hotel Joker Draw has jackpotted to \$940.00.

To have a chance of winning the Quandialla Bowling Club Members Draw this week or any other Friday you need to become a member and be present when your badge number is drawn. This Friday the jackpot is \$10,000.00.

Good Luck Everyone!

QUANDIALLA PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Will be Hosting a Roast Dinner at the Quandialla Bowling Club
31st July 2015 6pm – 8pm

COST: \$25 per Adult & \$10 per child (under 12 years)

RSVP: By 24th July to Ruth Penfold 6347 2130 or 0408 381 380
Kacie Cattle 0419 978 346

QUANDIALLA PRESCHOOL MONSTER RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN
AFTER THE MEATS DRAWS

CHURCH SERVICE NOTICES:

St Brigid's Catholic Church: Mass will be celebrated at **Quandialla** every Sunday during July at 8.00am

St Marks Anglican Church: Our July Service will be held on Sunday 5th July at 5pm.
All Welcome

Quandialla Community Church: Services will be held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday in July at 4.00pm. All Welcome

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BLAST FROM THE PAST Extracts from IDLE CHATTER

Extract from IDLE CHATTER No: No: 253

THURS 7th June 1966

UFWA – I have titled this item UFWA because that is the organisation which has fought and fought well for the installation of more wheat storage space at Quandialla. Mr Bill Mainwaring as Secretary and Mr Bill Dixon as President can be justly proud of information just received from “Down Below”. A 500,000 bushel bulkhead is to be built, further more it is to be commenced at an early date and could even be ready for this year’s receipt. For the Doubting Thomas’s I would say just this. Pop into my office and see the PLAN and Mr Jim Taylor M.L.A. will guarantee the rest. Well done UFWA. I like that name, it comes out with a certain amount of gusto when you put the accent on the UF part

ODDS AND ENDS – This is the portion of Idle Chatter as a rule I have to do some dandruff disturbing. You don’t have to be cheeky – if I care to have dandruff on my bald pate that’s my business. By the way, in the singles bowls championship, Ian Reeves met Cam Edgerton and even the onlookers could feel the tenseness. After being well behind, Cam fought grimly and won. The winning end was the only one in which Cam was ahead so you can just imagine how close it was. Rarely have I seen two people so exhausted after a game of bowls.....About 11000 fat sheep were offered at Forbes on Tuesday. Of that number Winchcombes sold 2600. The market for prime lambs was anything from 50 to 70 cents dearer whilst plainer sheep were firm to 20 cents dearer. One line of excellent wethers made to \$10.60..... Poor Mrs Penfold - she didn’t have a chance this week from the word go. I don’t want to get cocky though, because there is always another week and who knows..... There is two bags of Yarloop clover in stock so don’t go short.....

Cheers until next week **Sue Priestley**